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By Philip C. Salinas

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DOJ: Arrest Bro. Eddie

Protesters can invoke Marcos law to rally without permit

By Marissa Bonifacio and Margie C. Davis

NEXT TIME YOU TAKE TO THE streets to demand the resignation of President Gloria Macapagal Arroyo, it may be in your best interest if you consider a copy of Marcos Presidential Decree No. 155.

Issued during the rule of former President Marcos, the law allows protesters to hold peaceful demonstrations without need for a written permit from the national police.

The law is cited in the past, especially in police/military dispersed protests, including Bayan Muna, Bayan Laban, and Bayan Lungsod.



THE PICTURE says a thousand words about "cultured and progressive" expression. No permit, no violence. Demonstrators are heavily dispersed by the police everywhere their anti-GMA rally was going to erupt. Several were arrested and the University of the East officials on Tuesday. Right members are arrested and students' rights injured.

Anti-GMA evangelist says timing suspicious

By Edward M. Sison, Edson C. Tandang Jr., and Christian N. Argente

IT'S STARTING TO look a lot like Mala cantina is turning the heat up.

After "Secretary Rod" Contreras' low-ranking official, the Bureau of Investigation to arrest Rev. Edson "GMA" Villamor on charges of murder filed by a woman of the Southern Luzon Mission, it seems to coincide with the opening of Channel 11 on Nov. 15.

It is impossible that the woman be innocently involved and that she was involved with the Villamor couple be found and arrested in the capital and international zone of the Philippines.

Knowing that there is no person of certain person of the President, Marikina City, Villamor would be the last word in the world.

Villamor, leader of the New Movement (NM) and national political candidate, has been seen in Marikina City and has called on the President to stop the release of the alleged GMA who is charged in the 2004 election and the 2004 election.

President and the Department of Justice.

SC orders Senate to present Gonzales

By Edward M. Sison, Edson C. Tandang Jr., and Christian N. Argente

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Journalist shot, now in critical condition

By Marissa Bonifacio and Margie C. Davis

ORIGINAL BASTION CITY—An unidentified person, wearing a hood and a bulletproof vest, shot a journalist in the chest and critically wounded a journalist in the chest.

International press watchdogs call the Philippines one of the world's most dangerous places for working journalists. No press freedom here.

Thirteen members of the press were murdered in 2004, the highest number of journalists in the world since 2000.

'Luisita stocks best model for land reform'

By Marissa Bonifacio and Margie C. Davis

THE DISCUSSION OF FARMERS' LANDS... Luisita stocks best model for land reform

Agribusinesses, including 11 other farmers in the country, are members of the National Agrarian Reform Council (NARC) and members.

But the NARC member, a former official of the Department of Agriculture, resigned the government position because the NARC is not a government agency.

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'Sex' camp reconstructs men's view of women

By Sofia O. Conde

Editor's note: (This is the International Day of the Girl.)

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Seaman's body still unburied after 2 months

By Nita S. Dizon

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Editor: Teodoro S. Molinaro

Peping, Joey try to end cage rift

Joint strategy for lifting of Fiba suspension expected in today's meeting

By Norving Castillo

PHILIPPINE OLYMPIC COMMITTEE president Jose Peeping Cojuangco and Basketball Association of the Philippines head Joey Lina will meet at a still undisclosed place tonight in an apparent bid to put an end to the basketball controversy besetting the country.

If things go well, a source close to Cojuangco said, the meeting is expected to sign a joint statement in which the Philippines is expected to be an active member of the new national basketball federation (Fiba).



COJANGCO: No idea



LINA: Pinned figure

The details learned of a phone call that Lina made to Cojuangco yesterday evening and the source also learned that the two are scheduled to meet later this evening.

This meeting has been seen by the basketball dispute as a key to the lifting of the ban on the two men, who are currently suspended from the basketball community as the country's basketball association.

The two officials could not be reached for comment last night, although Lina issued a statement in which he offers strong support for BAP in its bid to lift the suspension of the two men, who are currently suspended from the basketball community as the country's basketball association.

Lina is a pivotal figure in the lifting of the Fiba ban on the Philippines after the world governing body of basketball sports in

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Senate and the office of the President will be directly affected, both by the process and the result, said Enr.

"I think it is important that we as an institution, for the health of democracy, clearly define what this concept of separation of powers means in a system in which it is apparently subject to the scope of congressional power," Enr. said.

Speaker Jose de Venecia also said that the Senate should also consider...
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with each other, but they must do it with accuracy," he said.

"But if there progress is to stop the Senate from considering these investigations, then what's the use of this legislation?"

Enr. later told the Manila Outlook that he was not among the changes in the...
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SC delays anew verdict on VAT

THE SUPREME COURT HAS delayed its ruling on the lower challenge to a broader implementation of the value-added tax (VAT), two sources close to the court said yesterday, further setting back the government's most critical fiscal reform.

The justices had been expected to issue an earlier ruling, with national members and government anticipating the court would decide on the VAT's constitutionality in September. But the law expanding the application of the VAT was unconstitutional.

"The court is waiting for some more comments from the government and the petitioners," one of the sources said. Another source said the decision may come next week.

"The delay shouldn't be a major issue for the market," said Jose Maria Cayabyab, executive at ING Bank.

"It's imperative that we have a resolution of the VAT within this year, for 2009. The sooner it is resolved, the better," the broader VAT designed to help improve chronically weak revenues and cut debt, while sales tax exemptions on a wide range of goods and services.

The law allows for the rate to rise to 12 percent in January from 10 percent now. It also raises corporate income tax to 25

percent from 22 percent for three years, with the rate to fall to 20 percent in 2010.

The Supreme Court said the law expands on July 1, but it was not clear how far, as the justices weighed a series of legislative and political opposition, petitioners' demands and a potential government response.

The expanded VAT was expected to deliver an extra P2 billion to P3 billion pesos in monthly revenues this year after taking into account the impact of mitigating measures on oil and power, such as reduced import tariffs and the removal of excise taxes.

Even without the broader sales tax, the government expects a budget deficit this year of about P502 billion, below the original target of 500 billion pesos or 2.4 percent of gross domestic product.

Higher non-tax revenues from fees and charges, better tax collection and lower-than-expected interest payments should boost revenues this year, the finance department has said.

But the termination of VAT exemptions on a variety of supplies to make life tougher for Filipinos already feeling the pinch from soaring global oil prices, and members of Congress are studying a proposal to delay enforcement of the broader VAT to at least 2010.

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Fugitive German arrested in 'Gapo

By Lito E. Solmones

A GERMAN MOUNTED in his homeland for allegedly kidnapping and robbing two compatriots in the Philippines has been arrested by the Bureau of Immigration in Chicago City on Monday.

Hartmut Edward Jauer, 55, was collected in his office at Macy Beach, according to information of Alvaro Fernandez Jr.

Fernandez said the Interpol in Berlin had asked the bureau assistance in tracking down the fugitive. He then issued a mission order for the German arrest.

A local court in Gernsbach, Germany, issued an arrest order for Jauer in March, and a European Union arrest warrant was issued in December for his alleged conspiracy with two other Germans, who remain at large, and two FBI agents in abducting and extorting money from a German couple, the bureau said in a statement.

The couple, identified as Wilko and Nady Klumberg, were abducted in Palawan on Nov. 24, 1994. The suspects reportedly stole cash, jewelry, documents and other personal valuables from them amounting to 25,000 Deutschmarks.

Under threat of violence and death, the couple was made to sign several blank sheets of paper which Jauer and his cohorts later used to extort the sale of real estate properties owned by the Klumbergs, the statement said.

Jauer could not present his passport or any travel document when confronted by immigration agents, and would be deported to Berlin within the next few days for being an undocumented and undesirable alien.

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Depot eviction fears haunt 3 oil firms

By Abigail L. Ho and Tina G. Santos

OIL FIRMS PETRON CORP., PILIPINAS SHELL Petroleum Corp. and Caltex Philippines Inc. have again raised fears that they could be evicted from their depot in Pandacan with the imminent passage of a Manila City government ordinance that would reclassify the location of the depot into anything other than industrial.

Under the Manila Comprehensive Land Use Plan and Zoning Ordinance of 2005, the Pandacan depot area could be reclassified into a commercial/residential area, making operations no longer suitable there.

"We won't know where to go if it's reclassified to commercial," an oil industry official said. "We've complied with all the conditions in the memorandum of understanding (MOU) with the Manila government, and they're still planning to evict us."

Manila Mayor Lito Atienza insists that the oil firms must leave the depot. "We never talked about the oil firms' continued stay in Pandacan. The city government's stand remains that the oil firms would, one day, have to leave the area," the mayor told the INQUIRER yesterday.

Reclassification

City Ordinance 8027 provided for the reclassification of the oil depot's location from an industrial to a commercial zone. It took effect April 30, 2003 with the expiration of the MOU between City Hall and the oil firms.

To prevent the total closure of the depot, the oil firms signed an agreement with the city government to scale down its operations there as well as provide a "green buffer zone" between the oil tanks and the residential area.

In the meantime, Atienza said the city government had demanded that oil companies should implement safety measures particularly aimed at protecting residents living in the vicinity of the oil facility.

"So far, the oil firms have been complying with our agreement, but that doesn't change the fact that they should relocate sooner or later," he added. "The most viable option is still a scale down. We're urging the oil firms to accelerate the removal of all other structures."

Under the agreement, the three oil companies were required to dismantle 28 of the 54 tanks in the depot. Liquefied petroleum gas (LPG) terminals in the depot also had to be removed.

The oil official said Petron, Shell and Caltex had complied with these and other conditions stated in the MOU, adding that the oil firms did not want to vacate the Pandacan depot then and would not want to leave now because of supply issues that would arise if they do so.

The Pandacan oil depot supplies around 50 percent of Luzon's fuel needs and around 82 percent of Metro Manila's gasoline and diesel requirements. It also provides fuel to the neighboring provinces of Cavite, Laguna, Bulacan, Pampanga, Tarlac and Nueva Ecija.

Three years ago, the Department of Energy said a premature closure of the terminal would reduce fuel supply by 40 percent, resulting in even higher fuel costs.

But it may not be a lost cause for the oil firms as the new ordinance has a provision regarding structures that may be deemed of national significance.

Section 54 of the ordinance states: "Projects may be deemed by the National Economic and Development Authority Board as projects of national significance pursuant to Section 3 of EO 72. When a project is declared by the Neda board as a project of national significance, the zoning permit shall be issued by the Housing and Land Use Regulatory Board."

Who was first QC mayor?

By DJ Yap

ON THE OCCASION OF ITS 66TH FOUNDING anniversary, Quezon City seeks to resolve a historical puzzle: who was its first mayor? The son of former Quezon City Mayor Tomas Morato believes it was his father. Manuel Morato, Philippine Charity Sweepstakes Office board member said his father was the first Quezon City mayor by virtue of an appointment made by Quezon on Oct. 12, 1939.

Hoping to settle the issue, Morato submitted documents at a forum yesterday. An essay by historian Bernardita Reyes Churchill also mentioned that "President Quezon himself assumed the functions corresponding to the Mayor, from Oct. 12 to Nov. 4, 1939, but without the formal appointment of a mayor. On Nov. 4, he appointed Tomas Morato, then acting Quezon City Chief of Police to be the Mayor."

Quezon's grandson, Manuel Quezon III, didn't make it to the forum, but had written in a newspaper: "It would be correct to state that Tomas Morato was appointed the first Mayor, but that for a short period of time, based on Manuel Morato's own chronology of events, President Quezon acted as officer-in-charge of the city named after him, until his hand-picked appointee could assume his duties."

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RP is 2nd worst in Asia in cable TV piracy HK group says losses this year to top P5B

By Carlos S. Reyes and Russell W. Domingo

THIS YEAR, MORE THAN P5 BILLION (ROUGHLY \$95 million) is estimated to be lost to piracy in the cable television industry in the Philippines, which now ranks second in Asia in terms of the incidence of theft in cable TV programming, according to a Hong Kong-based group.

The Cable & Satellite Broadcasting Association of Asia (CASA) yesterday said cable TV piracy in the Philippines

was growing at an alarming rate and latest figures showed the situation was getting even worse.

Cable's chief executive Simon Y. Shiu said yesterday in a video conference with reporters that piracy cost every a total of 300 million in related losses every 40 days in the industry.

The industry group dedicated to the promotion of multi-channel television via cable, satellite, broadband and wireless video networks across three regions, Cable group, some 110 licensed broadcaster services serve 7 billion people. It initiated a series of raids of alleged

to strong pay TV operators in the Philippines to send a signal to hundreds of unauthorized cable TV operators to stop programming piracy.

As of June, the number of illegal cable subscribers was placed at 455,000, up 20 percent from 380,000 for the whole of 2004 while the number of legitimate subscribers shrank by 20 percent to 750,000 in the first half from 900,000 for the whole 2004.

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Source: The B. 2008

Foreign investors deplore move on used vehicles

By Russell W. Domingo

THE JOINT FOREIGN CHAMBERS yesterday expressed disappointment with a Hacienda memorandum that allowed the importation and sale of used vehicles.

"We do not see the need for such a diversion since the way to improve the current performance of import categories and domestic APC and is a common."

"This action does not seem to be an obvious contribution to government revenues and policies being in conflict with the objective of the Motor Vehicle Development Program under Executive Order No. 316 and 414, which is used by the Office of the President," the group added.

Issued last April, EO 414 seeks to discourage importation by requiring an additional specific duty of P10,000 for each unit of imported used vehicle.

In a memorandum to President Manuel A. Roxas, Jr., Chief Executive Officer of the Legal Affairs Office, the memorandum was signed by the Legal Affairs Office, the Bureau of Customs, the Bureau of Finance and the Bureau of Trade and Industry.

Source: The B. 2008

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Gov't seen exceeding expenditures ceiling in Sept.

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IMPORTER: BUSINESS CENTER MANAGEMENT INC. is finally getting noticed by the business press and the money market.

With a fleet of United States vehicles, Doris is finally behind her. She, 50, has been in the car business for over 20 years in the automotive, including corporate, retail and public. Doris is now in the car business, including corporate, retail and public. Doris is now in the car business, including corporate, retail and public.

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United States already controls 29 percent of the market, while Doris's business is only about 10 percent. In addition to its common shareholdings, National Motor has an equivalent number of preferred in the shares of the container ship company.

This takeover plan comes in the wake of her husband's death and her acquisition of the shareholdings of Singapore's Republic of Singapore, which, for technical reasons, chose to sell out to Doris rather than to the state.

It is not immediately clear whether Doris would continue to keep on in her 30-40 percent shareholdings in Republic Shipping or eventually sell out to the Hong Kong government.

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In personally guaranteeing a \$700-million loan from Republic PC Bank that enabled Doris to acquire the boat, and another \$75-million loan from Mitsubishi, Doris also guaranteed the company to buy another boat.

For these efforts, Doris obtained 1 percent

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share and the Land Transportation Office, which is the main authority for the import and export of used motor vehicles in the Philippines, is now in the car business, including corporate, retail and public.

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COCKTAILS



Victor C. Aguirre

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Gov't seen exceeding expenditure ceiling in Sept.

By Michele V. Russo

THE NATIONAL GOVERNMENT likely exceeded its expenditure ceiling for September, as it paid off more maturing obligations during the month, officials said.

Pamana raising P190M to pay maturing plans

By Elizabeth L. Sanchez

FINANCED FROM PAMANA INC. began paying about P190 million from the sale of its real-estate assets to pay some 2,000 maturing plan holders.

Luis J. Jimenez, senior vice president and chief officer of Prudential Real Estate Finance Bank of Panama, told the business that Panama had not wanted to include any P190 million and other maturing assets P190 million to its debt level.

"The company is in good credit," he said, adding that the company was in a "very good" position and is a "very good" company.

September up to only P13,452 billion, however, preliminary figures indicated that the ceiling might have been exceeded by P1.4 billion. Budget Commissioner Luis Jimenez said that such a budget, the national government expenditure for the first eight months of the year was P123.8 billion below the ceiling. This would likely go down to

P21.723 billion in September.

The delay in the release of the 2008 budget and the government's decision to not cut its budget for the year, this would exceed the government's expenditure ceiling in September.

The national government's major expenditures include debt ser-

ving, interest on external debt, salaries of government employees, operational expenses of public firms and infrastructure projects.

In 2008 budget was set at P107.4 billion, with more than 10 percent of the amount allocated for servicing maturing obligations.

Prudential Real Estate Bank said September was mostly the period when the government had

paid more maturing obligations, compared with other months.

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BANKS AND FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS					
Bank of the Philippine Islands	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	0.00
Philippine National Bank	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	0.00
Security Bank Corporation	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	0.00
Union Bank of the Philippines	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	0.00
INDUSTRIAL					
Aluminum Corporation of the Philippines	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	0.00
Philippine Airlines	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	0.00
San Miguel Corporation	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	0.00
SM Investments Corporation	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	0.00
RETAIL					
SM Supermarket Inc.	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	0.00
SM Department Store Inc.	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	0.00
SM Retail Inc.	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	0.00
TELECOMMUNICATIONS					
Philippine Telecommunications Corporation	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	0.00
Smart Communications Inc.	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	0.00
ENERGY					
Energy Development Corporation	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	0.00
Manila Electric Company	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	0.00
CONSTRUCTION AND RELATED SERVICES					
Philippine Construction Corporation	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	0.00
Philippine Cement Corporation	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	0.00
OTHER					
Philippine Textile Corporation	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	0.00
Philippine Tobacco Corporation	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	0.00

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A slamming street dance showdown

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DANCING—AN ART FORM that merges music and movement—is undoubtedly one form of physical expression young people are hooked on. It's an exhilarating workout. It gives one a natural high and lets him or her express and impress. How can you not be hooked?

Perhaps you will understand this point. It's a brand that excites and supports everything vibrant about the teenage years. Inspired by the countless young people who are passionate about the art of dance, Westhopper launched "DanceSlam

Dance Slam" in 2000, an annual competition for students who are into street dance.

For the past two years, "DanceSlam Dance Slam" has been doing the rounds of the country's schools, gathering spirited students who desire to showcase their moves.

The Beach City Finals was held at Robinsons World where Paterosville High School was in the high school category, and the University of St. La Salle's County-Clean was in the college division.

In Laguna de Bay, the MMD-BT Integrated Developmental School won the crown and was proclaimed the champion in the high school category, while St. Peter's College triumphed over the other college groups.